

Joseph Robert Brame, III, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 1999.

Sallyanne Harper, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Hank Brown, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring April 6, 2000.

Penne Percy Korth, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2000.

Susanne T. Marshall, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2004. **Page S11303**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—283) **Pages S11250, S11275**

**Quorum Calls:** One quorum call was taken today. (Total—6) **Page S11250**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:19 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Wednesday, October 29, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11302–03.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine issues with regard to the electronic commerce infrastructure, focusing on proposals to establish uniform national standards for the use of electronic authentication technology by financial institutions, including digital signatures, after receiving testimony from Massachusetts Deputy General Counsel Daniel Greenwood, Boston; Ira H. Parker, Alston and Bird, Alfred M. Pollard, Bankers Roundtable, and Robert D. Kramer, Bank of America, NT&SA, on behalf of the Electronic Commerce Working Group and the Coalition of Service Industries, all of Washington, D.C.; J. Scott Lowry, Digital Signature Trust Company, Salt Lake City, Utah; P. Michael Nugent, Citibank, New York, New York; and Richard Mossburg, Ford Motor Credit

Company, Dearborn, Michigan, on behalf of the Electronic Commerce Forum.

### EDUCATION

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee held hearings to examine the current state of the national education system, receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary, and Pascal D. Forgione, Jr., Commissioner of Education Statistics, both of the Department of Education; and William J. Bennett, Empower America, Washington, D.C., former Secretary of Education.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### AIRLINE COMPETITION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee held hearings to examine air service problems affecting certain communities since the deregulation of the airline industry, and proposed legislation to remove certain barriers to promote competition in the domestic airline industry, receiving testimony from Senators Warner and Robb; Representatives Slaughter and Moran; Patrick V. Murphy, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; Gerald Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; David T. Ralston, Jr., Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Alexandria, Virginia; J. Randolph Babbitt, Air Line Pilots Association, International, and Edward P. Faberman, Air Carrier Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Charles M. Goodwin, Greater Rochester Metro Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Rochester, New York; Thomas G. Tait, Nevada Commission on Tourism, Carson City, on behalf of the Western States Tourism Policy Council; Lawrence M. Nagin, US Airways, Arlington, Virginia; Cyril Murphy, United Air Lines, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; and Bob Rowen, Reno Air, Inc., Reno, Nevada.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### EPA REGIONAL HAZE RULE

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings to examine the potential impacts on, and additional responsibilities for, federal land managers imposed by the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on regional haze regulations implementing certain provisions of the Clean Air Act, after receiving testimony from Robert C. Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Michael Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; John S. Seitz,

Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Division, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, Salt Lake City; Anne E. Smith, Decision Focus Incorporated, and Marcia Frenz, National Parks and Conservation Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Greg E. Walcher, CLUB 20, Grand Junction, Colorado; Robert L. Pearson, Radian International, Denver, Colorado; and L. Bruce Hill, Appalachian Mountain Club, Gorham, New Hampshire.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Kenneth R. Wykle, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Representative Rahall, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NATO ENLARGEMENT

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the costs, benefits, burdensharing and military implications of the proposal to grant NATO membership to Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Richard Kugler, Institute for National Strategic Studies/National Defense University, Fort McNair, Ivan Eland, CATO Institute, and Stephen Hadley, Shea and Gardner, all of Washington, D.C.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard Frank Celeste, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to India, Shaun Edward Donnelly, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, Edward M. Gabriel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, Cameron R. Hume, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria, Daniel Charles Kurtzer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, James A. Larocco, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, and Edward S. Walker, Jr., of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Israel. Mr. Celeste was introduced by

Senators DeWine and Glenn, and Mr. Gabriel was introduced by Senators Domenici and Ford.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Stanley Marcus, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Ann L. Aiken, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Jerome B. Friedman, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Norman K. Moon, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, and Rodney W. Sippel, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Marcus was introduced by Senators Mack and Graham, Ms. Aiken was introduced by Senators Gordon Smith and Wyden, Messrs. Friedman and Moon were introduced by Senators Warner and Robb, and Mr. Sippel was introduced by Senators Bond and Ashcroft.

#### CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Committee concluded hearings on the Administration's proposal to protect the privacy of individually identifiable medical information and establish strong penalties for those who disclose such information, after receiving testimony from Senators Leahy, Bennett, and Snowe; Wanda Walker, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities; John Glaser, Partners HealthCare System, Inc., and A.G. Breitenstein, JRI Health Law Institute, both of Boston, Massachusetts; John T. Nielsen, Inter-mountain Health Care, Salt Lake City, Utah, on behalf of the American Association of Health Plans; Donald J. Palmisano, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Spencer Foreman, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, New York, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; Elizabeth B. Andrews, Glaxo-Wellcome, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, on behalf of the Healthcare Leadership Council.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.